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The Honorable J. A. Krug Secretary of the Interior Hashington, D.C.

ky dear kr. Secretary:

The Central Intelligence Group has a continuing interest in, and a firm requirement for, the services rendered to the several agencies of the Federal Government by the Board on Geographical Names.

These services are particularly pertinent to foreign name problems arising within the intelligence agencies of the State, war and Mavy Departments and this office, with respect to facilitating greatest interchangeability of intelligence informations, and standardization of intelligence indexing procedures:

Accordingly, the member agencies of the Intelligence Advisory Board and the offices of CIG have been requested to alert all personnel concerned in this field to the Executive Orders governing the mission and authorities of the Board.

It has come to my attention that the services of the Chinese Group, Personnel Division, Board on Geographical Names are being terminated due to lack of funds for salaries for the balance of the current fiscal year.

This office regards the name problem in the China area as being particularly pressing in view of known requirements for names in the central and northern areas.

It is therefore desired that the China Group be retained by the Board to be employed on mass problems in the central and northern areas of China in accordance with specific requirements to be conveyed by this office to the Director of the Board at a later date. Funds for this purpose will be transferred to the Department of Interior by GIG in amounts sufficient to cover the salaries of the four personnel engaged in this activity for the balance of the current fiscal year.

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It is requested that CIG be accorded membership on the Advisory Committee of the Board in order to represent its intelligence interests in foreign name problems.

Sincerely,

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## STATEMENT OF CONCURRENCES:

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